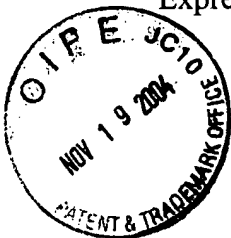


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PATENT APPLICATION

Docket No. 11675.73.1.2.1



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of)
Yongjun Hu)
Serial No.: 10/771,828) Art Unit
Filed: February 4, 2004) 2818
Confirmation No.: 3960)
For: PROCESS FOR FORMING A DIFFUSION)
BARRIER MATERIAL NITRIDE FILM)
Examiner: Quoc Hoang)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period that was set for responding to the Office Action dated May 24, 2004 be extended for three months until November 24, 2004.

Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 including the amount of \$980.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

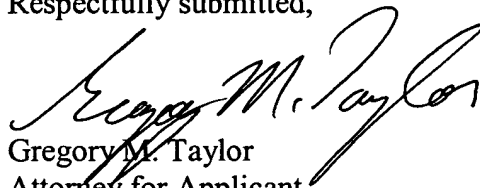
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